GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Passenger Traffic at Airports
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the passenger traffic has increased continuously at the airports, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the basic infrastructure of security is not being developed in proportion to the passenger footfall;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether security agencies, besides Central Industrial Security Force or even State Police are also engaged in security operation at the airports;

(e) if so, whether entrusting the security to only one agency instead of multiple agencies is also being considered; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to enhance security at airports?

Answer

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
(Shri Ashok Gajapathi Raju Pusapati)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in respect of part (a) to (f) of Lok Sabha Starred (*) Question No.74 dated 28.4.2016 regarding Passenger Traffic at Airports.

(a): Yes, Madam. The details regarding passenger traffic at the airports, are annexed.

(b): No, Madam. The security infrastructure is keeping pace with the passenger growth.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Security operations at the airports are handled by CISF, Local Police and other Para-military forces.

(e): No, Madam.

(f): Does not arise in view of the replies to Part (d) & (e) above. However, the following steps have been taken to enhance security at airports in the country depending upon the threat perception and intelligence input: (i)Increased random checking at nakas (ii)Intensified patrolling by vehicle and by foot (iii)Intensified random check of passengers baggage (iv)Enhanced checking of vehicles entering into air side (v)Deployment of extra manpower at Cargo Complex, Operational Gates and City Side area of the airports (vi)Stringent secondary ladder point check (vii)Enhanced surveillance in and around terminal building and operational area (viii)Strengthened anti-terrorist measures and placement of Quick Reaction Team at strategic points (ix)Strict monitoring of security protocol for in-flight catering services and (x) Enhanced physical inspection of carry-on baggage.